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Dear Year 10 Parents and Guardians,

Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) is widely recognised as having significant benefits for students. Schools throughout the world have developed opportunities for their students to be involved in new challenges and learning experiences that are very different to the classroom environment.

Renaissance College promotes this philosophy to support the holistic development of each individual student. The College has now established a valuable EOTC program, beginning in the PYP and extending through the MYP.

The Year 10 EOTC programme will take place from **Monday the 8th of April to Friday the 12th of April 2019** (depending on the trip and flight times). During this time students will learn and develop key life-long learning skills, such as collaboration, resilience and problem solving as part of the school's Positive Education Programme and in alignment with the IB Learner Profile attributes.

EOTC is a fundamental aspect of the school curriculum and it is an expectation that all Year 10 students participate in this event.

EOTC Experiences Offered This Year (A full summary of each trip can be found on the school website) <http://www.rchk.edu.hk/education-classroom/>

To Secure Your EOTC Overseas Trip Choice

On the **29th October from 3:30pm to 3:30pm on 30th of October** a live sign-up form will be available on gateway, and the below choices will be available to all year 10 students.

Student's/parents will need to fill out the form within this time frame in order to secure the preferred option. The trips do have a limited capacity and due to this, the system will be a 'first come first serve' basis. We will use the responses to determine which trips will run and who will be attending.

By the **2nd of November** you will receive an email telling you which trip you have been put on.

You will then need to submit your first deposit of 5000HKD to secure your spot, by the **7th of November**.

Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding the Year 10 EOTC.

Regards,
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How to navigate Gateway

Destination for Y10 EOTC will be opened for sign up through the Gateway using your student account.

Login Gateway <https://tg.esf.edu.hk>

Click the Activities button of the student on Gateway homepage;

Select Register for (student name) and select Category (Y10 EOTC)

Click on the Activity Name on the list to view more details and click on Register to register.

Location / number of places available	Description	Estimated Cost
	<u>Please note the estimated cost does not include Visa or Affidavit cost. You will be responsible for any extra travel documents that you may need.</u>	
Fixing - Taiwan /48 5 day/4 nights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning about and interaction with Taiwan's Aboriginal people • Staying at a mountain lodge in Lala Shan amongst the beautiful forested mountain at a cool elevation of approx. 2000m • Hike to a remote natural hot spring and visit 2000 year old trees. • Borg trekking and white water crossing in a spectacular setting • Learning to farm from harvest to market with local farmers 	13,200HKD The cost includes; program fee, accommodation, food, flight and insurance.
Cebu - Philippines /24 x 2 groups 5 days/4 nights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience the beauty of Cebu and its surrounding islands • Gain Skills using a local outrigger • Participate in a cultural and community exchange • Snorkel on one of the worlds most overs coral reefs <p>Note; their will be 2 separate Cebu trips each with 24 students. The trips will leave on different days. The first trip will leave Sunday 7th April the second trip will leave Monday 8th April.</p>	12,000HKD The cost includes; program fee, accommodation, food, flight and insurance.
Thailand /48 5 days/ 4 nights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience the beauty of Thailand's River Kwai • Kayaking, river hydrology, navigation and bamboo rafting • Hike along the infamous Death Railway • Visit WWII Hell fire pass museum • Service project at local school/orphanage 	11,600HKD The cost includes; program fee, accommodation, flights and insurance
Tioman - Malaysia /35 6 days/ 5 nights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trekking and gorging through the amazing Malaysian jungle canopy • Learn to scuba, PADI course in one of the worlds most renowned marine parks • Kayak, boogie board and snorkel during the aquatic based adventure • Visit the Juara Turtle Project. <p>Students will need to pass a swimming competency assessment prior to final acceptance</p>	12,000HKD The cost includes; program fee, accommodation, food, flight and insurance
Hong Kong - Mountain Rescue program / 24 5 days /4 nights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilizing advanced mountain rescue skills • Note - you will qualify for the Emergency First Aid Course Certificate. 	6200 HKD The cost includes; program fee, accommodation, food, certification and insurance